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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I get my Internet service from a small, local provider, and its important to me that they continue to function well in todays market. On a personal level, I dont need or want many of the services that are bundled with Internet access by the larger providers; simplicity and reasonable cost are what Im looking for. Looking at the big picture, as long as communications utilities are dominated by corporate interests, we need all the diversity we can get, for the sake of the consumer as well as the ongoing health of the industry itself. This is why I support broadband competition and ask you to deny the US Telecom Associations petition to eliminate independent carriers access to copper lines and spare fiber.

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